Data Points

ICD-9 Coding Issues

All diagnosis codes <u>must</u> be complete in order to pass our edit checks. For example, code 312.8 requires a 5th digit; "312.8 " will be rejected by our audit program.

We have received the new ICD-9 table for 2003.

- There are 163 diagnosis codes in the new table that were not in the old table, none of which seem to fall within any of the current groupings (MH/MR/Alc/Drug/DSM-IV/Axis I/Axis II).
- There were 21 diagnosis codes in the old table that are not in the latest table. One is "000.00 - No diagnosis specified", which we will keep. Another is "780.9 - General Symptoms NEC", which is in the MR, DSM-IV, and Axis I groupings. This one should probably be dropped.

We would like to have some knowledgeable person (or people) verify that we have correctly placed all of the ICD-9 diagnoses codes in the correct groupings (MH/MR/Alc/Drug/DSM-IV/Axis I/Axis II), and let us know when it is safe to implement the new table. Please let Dennis Moore (dennis.moore@rdmc.org) know if there are any suggestions or volunteers.

Event Re-submissions in HIPAA Format

The file suffix identifier for Event data in the HIPAA format is "EH". To submit a re-run of Event data in HIPAA format, please use the suffix of "EP". This will be updated in the Data Submission Guide on the web.